

HOUSE RESOLUTION 226
By McDonald

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Lottie Belle Rush on the celebration of her 101st birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the state of Tennessee should recognize citizens who are celebrating milestones in their venerable lives; and

WHEREAS, Lottie Belle Rush celebrated her 101st birthday on April 6, 1996, an occasion which was commemorated with great joy in remembering the past, giving thanks for the present and eagerly anticipating the future; and

WHEREAS, Lottie, who admits to being only 97 years young, was born and raised in Jackson County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, in 1911, Lottie Belle was joined in holy matrimony with Tom Rush and the couple's happy union produced 10 children, 13 grandchildren, 42 great-grandchildren and 24 great-great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, "Granny Rush" claims she has chewed King Bee Twist chewing tobacco since she was four or five years old; and

WHEREAS, she attends church at Portland General Baptist Church, loving the Lord and endeavoring to live an exemplary Christian life; and

WHEREAS, she has been a valuable resident of Sumner County since 1911; and

WHEREAS, "Granny Rush" still attends church and community gatherings, endeavors in which she has always been active and productive, as her health permits; and

WHEREAS, her sprightly behavior and alert demeanor belie her years on this earth; and

WHEREAS, we, the members of this body, find it appropriate to pause in our deliberations to specially recognize one of Tennessee's finest citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and congratulate Lottie Belle Rush on the celebration of her 101st birthday and extend to her our best wishes for many happy returns.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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